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IN THE CLAIMS

Amend claims 31-34 as follows:

1-30. (canceled)

31. (currently amended): A ~~document~~ check processing apparatus comprising:

- an image capture transport including (i) means an image capture device for capturing images of physical ~~documents~~ checks, and (ii) means for providing information relating to physical ~~documents~~ checks which have been processed at the image capture transport;
- an encoding transport including means a magnetic ink character recognition (MICR) encoder for encoding MICR codelines onto physical ~~documents~~ checks;
- a communication interface including (i) means for receiving information provided by the image capture transport, (ii) means for providing electronic messages based upon information received from the image capture transport, and (iii) means for wirelessly transmitting the electronic messages;
- a physical receptacle for (i) containing physical ~~documents~~ checks which have been processed at the image capture transport, and (ii) allowing the physical receptacle along with physical ~~documents~~ checks contained therein to be physically transported from the image capture transport to the encoding transport for encoding of MICR codelines onto the physical ~~documents~~ checks at the encoding transport; and
- an electronic label affixed to the physical receptacle and including (i) a physical display for displaying a visual message, (ii) communication circuitry for receiving electronic messages which have been wirelessly transmitted from the communication interface, and (iii) control circuitry for causing the physical display to display a visual message which is based upon at least one electronic message received wirelessly from the communication interface to provide visual information which relates to at least some of the physical ~~documents~~ checks contained in the physical receptacle when the physical receptacle along with the physical ~~documents~~ checks contained therein are physically transported from

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the image capture transport to the encoding transport for encoding of MICR codelines onto the physical documents checks at the encoding transport.

32. (currently amended): A ~~document~~ check processing apparatus comprising:
a ~~document~~ first check processing station including (i) ~~means a reader for processing reading magnetic ink character recognition (MICR) codelines of physical documents checks~~, (ii) means for providing information relating to physical documents checks which have been processed, and (iii) a physical display for displaying information which relates to at least some of the physical documents checks which have been processed;
a communication interface including (i) means for receiving information provided by the ~~document~~ first check processing station, (ii) means for providing electronic messages based upon information received from the ~~document~~ first check processing station, and (iii) means for wirelessly transmitting the electronic messages;
a physical receptacle for (i) containing physical documents checks which have been processed at the ~~document~~ first check processing station, and (ii) allowing the physical receptacle along with physical documents checks contained therein to be physically transported from the first check processing station to another document a second check processing station for further processing of the physical documents checks at this other document the second check processing station; and
an electronic label affixed to the physical receptacle and including (i) a physical display for displaying a visual message, (ii) communication circuitry for receiving electronic messages which have been wirelessly transmitted from the communication interface, and (iii) control circuitry for causing the physical display of the electronic label to display a visual message which is based upon at least one electronic message received wirelessly from the communication interface to provide visual information which relates to at least some of the physical documents checks contained in the physical receptacle so that the information which relates to the at least some of the physical documents checks which have been processed at the ~~document~~ first check processing station can be viewed on either the

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physical display of the electronic label or the physical display of the document first check processing station.

33. (currently amended): A document check processing apparatus for enabling an operator to physically transport physical documents checks from a first document check processing station which sorts physical documents checks into a plurality of physical sorting locations and which provides information relating to sorted physical documents checks to a second document check processing station which encodes magnetic ink character recognition (MICR) codelines onto physical checks, the document check processing apparatus comprising:

a plurality of physical check document trays for (i) containing physical documents checks which have been sorted into the plurality of physical sorting locations at the first document check processing station, (ii) allowing physical documents checks to be physically moved from each of the plurality of physical sorting locations into a corresponding one of the plurality of physical check document trays, and (iii) allowing the plurality of physical check document trays along with physical documents checks contained therein to be physically transported from the first document check processing station to the second document check processing station for ~~further processing of~~ encoding MICR codelines onto the physical documents checks at the second document check processing station; and

a plurality of electronic labels associated with the plurality of physical check document trays such that each of the plurality of electronic labels is affixed to a corresponding one of the plurality of physical check document trays, each of the plurality of electronic labels including (i) a physical display for displaying a visual message, (ii) communication circuitry for receiving electronic messages which have been wirelessly transmitted from a communication interface which receives information provided by at least the first document check processing station and which provides electronic messages based upon information received from the first document check processing station, and (iii) control circuitry for causing the physical display to display a visual message which is based upon at least one electronic message received wirelessly from the communication interface to provide

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visual information which relates to at least some of the physical documents checks contained in the corresponding physical check document tray.

34. (currently amended): A document check processing apparatus according to claim 33, wherein each of the plurality of electronic labels has a unique address.